REMARKS

Applicant has carefully reviewed and considered the Office Action mailed on May 28, 2003, and the references cited therewith. Claims 7, 15 and 18 are amended such that claims 7-13 and 15-20 are now pending in this application. The amendments to the claims are supported at page 5, lines 5-25 of Applicant's specification (among other places).

Examiner Interview

Applicant's attorney would like to thank Examiner Ori Nadav for his courtesy during the telephone interview held on July 8, 2003. Examiner Nadav discussed the cited references and the scope of the amended claims with Applicant's attorney. Applicant's attorney respectfully traversed the pending §103(a) rejection. Examiner Nadav indicated that the amended claims overcome the pending §112 rejection and may overcome the cited references.

\$112 & 103 Rejections of the Claims

- I. Claims 7-20 were rejected under 35 USC § 112, first paragraph, as containing subject matter which was not described in the specification in such a way as to enable one skilled in the art to which it pertains, or with which it is most nearly connected, to make and/or use the invention.
- II. Claims 7-20 were rejected under 35 USC § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Applicant Admitted Prior Art in view of Saito et al. (U.S. 5,570,274), Dobbin et al. (U.S. 6,452,113) and Dwarves (6,400,033).

Applicant respectfully traverses the rejections. As discussed during interview, claims 7-13 and 15-20 as amended overcome the above pending §112 & 103 rejections.

Reconsideration and allowance of claims 7-13 and 15-20 are respectfully requested.

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Conclusion

Applicant respectfully submits that the claims are in condition for allowance and notification to that effect is earnestly requested. The Examiner is invited to telephone Applicant's attorney, Andrew Peret at (262) 646-7009, or the below signed attorney to facilitate prosecution of this application.

If necessary, please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-0743.

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